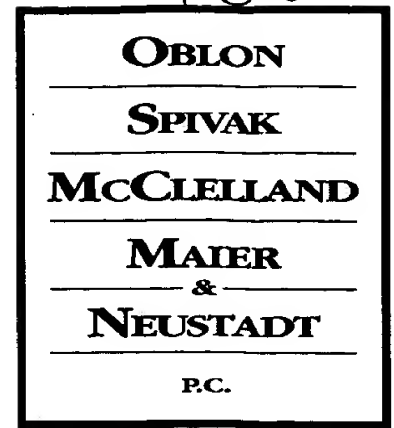




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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

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Our check in the amount of \$0 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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The Patent Office is respectfully requested to inform the undersigned of the approximate date on which further action will be taken on this Application. An Amendment and Request for Reconsideration, a Request for Extension of Time three months and a Terminal Disclaimer were filed January 13, 2005, responsive to an Office Action mailed July 13, 2004. Telephone Conferences were held May 11, 2005 and May 18, 2005, between the Examiner and the Working Attorney.

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